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CLASSIFICATION: LEVEL STAT CODE

CODE: V - VICTIM • W - WITNESS • I - INFORMANT • R - REPORTING PARTY • P - PARTY

CODE S - SUSPECT • SJ - SUBJECT • M - PATIENT • S/V - SUSPECT / VICTIM • SJ / V - SUBJECT / VICTIM

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**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
INCIDENT REPORT**

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VEHICLE	1	LICENSE STATE & NUMBER 1254410 CA	YEAR 2007	MAKE FORD	MODEL F150	BODY TYPE 4DR	COLOR 2007/11
VEHICLE FOR VICTIM #		REGISTERED OWNER LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF	IDENTIFYING FEATURES 2007				
VEHICLE FOR SUSPECT #			GARAGE NAME & PHONE N/A				
STATUS		<input type="checkbox"/> STOLEN <input type="checkbox"/> STORED <input type="checkbox"/> DAMAGED <input type="checkbox"/> RECOVERED <input type="checkbox"/> EMBEZZLED <input type="checkbox"/> OUTSTANDING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO					
DESCRIPTION OF DAMAGE SCRAPE TO FRONT FENDER							

VEHICLE	3	LICENSE STATE & NUMBER [REDACTED] CA	YEAR 2001	MAKE VOLVO	MODEL S60	BODY TYPE 4DR	COLOR [REDACTED]
VEHICLE FOR VICTIM #		REGISTERED OWNER [REDACTED]	IDENTIFYING FEATURES VIN: [REDACTED]				
VEHICLE FOR SUSPECT #	1,2		GARAGE NAME & PHONE VAN CUSTODY				
STATUS		<input type="checkbox"/> STOLEN <input type="checkbox"/> STORED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DAMAGED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RECOVERED <input type="checkbox"/> EMBEZZLED <input type="checkbox"/> OUTSTANDING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO					
DESCRIPTION OF DAMAGE FRONT RIGHT SIDE: 1. DAMAGE TO FRONT FENDER - 2. RACK							

SCREENING FACTORS

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. SUSPECT IN CUSTODY
<input type="checkbox"/> 2. SUSPECT NAMED / KNOWN | <input type="checkbox"/> 3. UNIQUE SUSPECT IDENTIFIERS
<input type="checkbox"/> 4. VEHICLE IN CUSTODY | <input type="checkbox"/> 5. UNIQUE VEHICLE IDENTIFIERS
<input type="checkbox"/> 6. WRITER REVIEWER DISCRETION |
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PROPERTY CODE:

S - STOLEN • R - RECOVERED • L - LOST • F - FOUND • E - EMBEZZLED • D - DAMAGED • K - SAFEKEEPING
(Use all applicable Codes, for example if property is both Stolen and Recovered Code is SR)

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CODE	ITEM #	QUAN	DESCRIPTION (include kind of article, trade name, identifying numbers, physical description, material, color, condition, age and present market value)	SERIAL #	VALUE
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While patrolling northbound Hawthorne Boulevard in Rancho Palos Verdes I heard a deputy (170W1) request assistance regarding the pursuit of a suspect who had committed assault with a deadly weapon on a peace officer. I heard the deputy say they were near Pacific Coast Highway and Pennsylvania Ave. in Lomita.

I heard over my radio prior to my arrival that a deputy involved shooting had occurred.

I responded to the location (2413 Pacific Coast Hwy, Lomita) and saw a male white (S/Dyer, Jason) laying on the ground in front of suite 106, "Rolling Hills Market". His head was facing east and his feet were facing west. I saw blood on the ground and blood coming from S/Dyer's chest. S/Dyer was being treated by paramedics from Los Angeles County Fire Engine 83, Squad 6, under the direction of Captain Moreno. S/Dyer was transported to a local hospital by McCormick Ambulance.

The Watch Commander was notified at 1812 hours.

Homicide was notified at 1834 hours via telephone. Homicide first arrived on scene at 1945 hours, and at approximately 2025 hours Lt. John Corina and Sgt. Michael Rodríguez from Homicide Bureau took control of the investigation.

For more information, see the following deputies supplemental reports:

Unit 171 (Deputy Capra # [REDACTED] and Deputy Sampson # [REDACTED] were the first on scene, and went with S/Dyer to the hospital.

Unit 171K (Deputy Guastalli # [REDACTED] detained the female passenger from the suspect vehicle.

Unit 171J (Reserve Deputy Yates # [REDACTED] secured the scene, canvassed the area, and maintained the Major Incident Log.

Unit 172A (Deputy Rodriguez # [REDACTED] was one of the first units on scene, and transported witnesses to Lomita Station.

Unit 173 (Deputy Velasco # [REDACTED] initiated the Major Incident Log, canvassed areas and conducted field show ups.

Unit 173D (Deputy Navarro # [REDACTED] provided scene security and booked evidence.

South Los Angeles Deputy Van Hoesen # [REDACTED] provided security at the hospital.

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CRIME ANALYSIS SUPPLEMENTAL FORM -- SUSPECT SUBJECT INFORMATION

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BY DEP PANZME
SUSPECT # L NAME DYER, JASON

EMPLOYEE # [REDACTED]
SUSPECT # [REDACTED] NAME [REDACTED]

CLOTHING DESCRIPTION	
ITEM TYPE	DESCRIPTION
UNK	

CLOTHING DESCRIPTION	
ITEM TYPE	DESCRIPTION

L #	UNK	BODY PART	SCARS MARKS TATTOOS	ODDITIES
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L #	UNK	BODY PART	SCARS MARKS TATTOOS	ODDITIES

HAIR LENGTH	HAIR TYPE	HAIR STYLE	COMPLEXION	HAIR TYPE	HAIR STYLE	COMPLEXION	HAIR TYPE	HAIR STYLE	COMPLEXION
COLLAP	BALD	AFRO NATURAL	ACNE FOCUSED	LONG	RELEAVING	ALBINO	AFRO NATURAL	RELEAVING	ALBINO
SHORT	THICK	BRACED CRECLOCK	DARK	SHOULDER	THINNING	FRECKLED	SHOULDER	THINNING	FRECKLED
	WIG	BUSHY	FAIR		WIG	LIGHT FAIR		WIG	LIGHT FAIR
		BUTCH	MEDIUM			PINK			PINK
		COMBEC BACK	PALE			SHAVED			SHAVED
		CURLERS	RUDDY			STRAIGHT			STRAIGHT
		CURLY	TANNED			WAGY			WAGY
		FLAT TOP	WEATHERED						
		GREASY	WRINKLED						
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		MILITARY							
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		PROCESSED							
		PUNK							
		SHAVED							
		STRAIGHT							
		WAGY							

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CRIME ANALYSIS SUPPLEMENTAL FORM -- M. O. FACTORS

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AREA	TARGET NON-RESIDENTIAL	METHOD OF ENTRY TOOLS USED	SUSPECT PRETENDED TO BE
AIRPORT	AUTOMATED TELLER	BOOBY FORCE	BUSINESS PERSON
BEACH OCEAN	CASH REGISTER DRAWER	BOLT CUTTER	CONVERSATION BEFRIENDED
COMMERCIAL	CLASSROOM SUPPLIES	BRICK ROCK	CUSTOMER
CONSTRUCTION SITE	COIN OP MACHINE	CHANNEL LOCK PLIERS	DELIVERY PERSON
DESERT	DISPLAY ITEMS	CUTTING INSTRUMENT	FAMILY MEMBER
DRIVEWAY	OFFICE	ELECTRONIC DEVICE	FIND MONEY
FREeway HIGHWAY	SAFE BOX	GLASS CUTTER	HANDICAPPED
GOLF COURSE	SNACK BAR	KEY	HOMELESS
HARBOR	STORAGE LOCKER	PRY TOOL	LEND ASSISTANCE
INDUSTRIAL WHOLESALE	VEHICLE	SAW BURN DRILL	NEED ASSISTANCE OR EMERGENCY
MOUNTAINS MOUNTAINS	VESSEL	SLIDE HAMMER	NEED TOILET PHONE WATER
PARK	BICYCLIST	SLIP DEVICE	OFFERED GOODS SERVICES
RESIDENTIAL	CUSTOMER	VEHICLE	POLICE / SECURITY
RIVER	ELDER SENIOR CITIZEN		POSITION OF TRUST
RURAL ISOLATED	DISABLED PERSON	SECURITY SYSTEM	REPAIR PERSON
SCHOOL GROUNDS	OWNER EMPLOYEE	NOISE	SALES PERSON
SPORTS CENTER	PEDESTRIAN	OUTDOOR ALARM	SEEK EMPLOYMENT
STADIUM	HOMELESS	CAMERA	SOLICIT DONATION
STREET ALLEY	VICTIM IN VEHICLE	CRIME WATCH	UTILITY EMPLOYEE
TRAIN RIGHT-OF-WAY TRACKS	POINT OF ENTRY / EXIT	DOG	
VACANT LOT OPEN FIELD	IN EX	FENCE BARS	VICTIM WAS:
WATER LAKE	FRONT	GUARD SERVICE	ASKED TO POSE MODEL
	REAR	OPERATION ID	BUNDFOLDED
	SIDE	OUTSIDE LIGHTING	BUNND GAGGED
	GROUND LEVEL	SECURITY SIGN STICKER	BURNED
	UPPER LEVEL	SILENT ALARM	CUT / STABBED
	ADJACENT BUILDING	SPECIAL LOCKS DEADBOLT	DISTRACTED
	BASEMENT	WINDOW BARS	DRUGGED SEDATED
	DOOR SCREEN		EXPLOITED
	DRIFT VENT	SUSPECT ACTIONS	FACE COVERED
	FENCE GATE	ATE / DRANK ON PREMISES	FOLLOWED
	FIREPLACE	CASED LOCATION	FONDLED
	FLOOR	COSTUME DISGUISE WORK	FORCED TO DISROBE
	GARAGE	DEFECATED URINATED	FORCED TO FONDLE SUSPECT
	GLASS DOOR	DEMAND NOTE USED	FORCED TO LIE ON FLOOR
	HOUSE BEING FUMIGATED	DEPENDED DRUGS MONEY ETC	FORCED TO MASTURBATE
	LOUVRE	DISABLED PHONE	FORCED TO MOVE
	MAR SLCT	DISABLED POWER	FORCED TO ORALLY COPLATE SUSPECT
	PICTURE	DISABLED SECURITY SYSTEM	GANG RELATED
	ROOF SKYLIGHT	DISABLED VEHICLE	HANGCUFFED
	SLIDING GLASS DOOR	EXCESSIVE FORCE	HOMELESS
	WALL	FIRED WEAPON	INJURED HIT
	WINDOW SCREEN	FONDLED SELF	LOCKED IN
		GRAFFITI	MADE TO COUNT
		HID IN BUILDING	PINCHED
		IGNITION PUNCHED	PISTOL WHIPPED
		JUMPED THE COUNTER	SHOT
		KNEW LOCATION OF HIDDEN CASH	SLAPPED
		MASK WORK	THREATENED
		MASTERBATED EJACULATED	TORTURED MUTILATED
		PHOTOGRAPHED VIDEOTAPE	
		PILLOWCASE TAKEN USED	BIAS - MOTIVATED INCIDENT
		POLICE SCANNER USED	RACIAL
		RANSACKED	ANTI - WHITE
		RECORDED LOGGED EVENTS	ANTI - BLACK
		RIPPED CUT CLOTHING	ANTI - AMERICAN INDIAN ALASKAN NATIVE
		SELECTIVE PROPERTY TAKEN	ANTI - ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER
		SMOKED	ANTI - MULTIRACIAL GROUP
		TAKEDOVER	
		TOOK CONCEALABLES	RELIGIOUS
		USED MULTIPLE WEAPONS	ANTI - JEWISH
		VEHICLE USED TO REMOVE PROPERTY	ANTI - CATHOLIC
		VANDALIZED	ANTI - PROTESTANT
		VICTIM'S NAME USED	ANTI - ISLAMIC (MUSLIM)
		VICTIM'S TOOLS USED	ANTI - OTHER RELIGION
		WASHED CLOTHING BEDDING	ANTI - MULTIRELIGIOUS GROUP
		WIPEO SCENE AFTER CRIME	ANTI - ATHEISM AGNOSTICISM
			ETHNICITY / NATIONAL ORIGIN
		SUSPECT WAS / HAD:	ANTI - HISPANIC
		ALCOHOL ON BREATH	ANTI - OTHER ETHNICITY NATIONAL ORIGIN
		ANGRY	
		APOLOGETIC	SEXUAL
		BAD BREATH	ANTI - MALE HOMOSEXUAL GAY
		BODY ODOR UNUSUAL ODOR	ANTI - FEMALE HOMOSEXUAL (LESBIAN)
		GANG - RELATED	ANTI - HOMOSEXUAL GAYS & LESBIANS
		HOMELESS	ANTI - HETEROSEXUAL
		INTIMIDATED COERCED	ANTI - BISEXUAL
		NEVER SPOKE QUIET	
		POLITE - KIND	GENDER
		PROFANITY	ANTI - MALE
		QUOTES UNUSUAL	ANTI - FEMALE
		RAGE	ANTI - TRANSGENDER
		TRUST VIOLATION	DISABILITY
		UNDER INFLUENCE	ANTI - MENTAL DISABILITY
			ANTI - PHYSICAL DISABILITY

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - COMPLAINT REPORT

DATE: SEPTEMBER 9, 2016

FILE NO: 016-03360-1714-055

C: ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON ON
A PEACE OFFICER, 245(D)(2) PC;
UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF FIREARM,
29800(A)(1) PC; TAKE VEHICLE WITHOUT
OWNERS PERMISSION, 10851(A) VC;
POSSESSION OF METHAMPHETAMINE
WITH LOADED FIREARM, 11370.1(A) HS

ACTION: ACTIVE/ ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION/ INVESTIGATION
CONDUCTED/ WITNESSES INTERVIEWED/
VICTIMS INTERVIEWED/ EVIDENCE
COLLECTED

V#1: DEPUTY JUSTIN SMITH, MW/31,
EMPLOYEE# [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES
COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF

V#2: DEPUTY TAYLOR WELLS, MW/26,
EMPLOYEE# [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES
COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF

D: SEPTEMBER 8, 2016; THURSDAY AT
APPROXIMATELY 1811 HOURS

L: 2413 PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY
DBA "EAGLE PLAZA"
LOMITA, CA 90717

S#1: JASON RICHARD DYER, MW/ 30,
DOB: 03-07-1986, CII# [REDACTED]
IN CUSTODY BOOKING# 4475167
(INJURED)

WITNESSES

[REDACTED] MO/32, DOB: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MH/19, DOB: [REDACTED]

SEPTEMBER 9, 2016

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[REDACTED] MW/67, DOB: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FW/31, DOB: [REDACTED]

SUMMARY

On September 8, 2016, Sergeant Howard Cooper # [REDACTED] and Detective Gail Durham # [REDACTED] Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau, responded to the area of 2413 Pacific Coast Highway in the city of Lomita, to investigate a deputy involved shooting involving two deputies assigned to Lomita Sheriff Station.

At the scene, Sergeant Cooper and Detective Durham were briefed by Sergeant Ken Clark and Detective Sandy Nava, also assigned to Homicide Bureau. Investigators Clark and Nava spoke with the handling deputies and related the following:

Deputy Smith and Wells were assigned to the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, Lomita Sheriff Station, Summer Enforcement Team. They were on routine patrol in the area of Pennsylvania Avenue and Pacific Coast Highway. They were traveling northbound on Pennsylvania Avenue from Pacific Coast Highway when they observed a silver Volvo traveling southbound on Pennsylvania Avenue with no front license plate. Deputy Smith and Wells decided to warn and/or cite the driver of the Volvo regarding the indicated vehicle code violation. They made a U-turn on Pennsylvania Avenue in an attempt catch up to the vehicle. As they began to follow the Volvo, the Volvo turned westbound onto 255th Street and then made another left turn onto northbound Kelley Avenue. Kelley Avenue was a cul-de-sac and the Volvo proceeded to drive around the cul-de-sac, then drove straight at the patrol unit. The Volvo struck the patrol car on the driver's side door. Believing they had just been assaulted by the driver of the Volvo, Deputy Smith and Wells broadcast radio traffic they were in pursuit of an Assault with a Deadly Weapon on a Peace Officer suspect.

As Deputy Smith and Wells drove around the cul-de-sac, they briefly lost sight of the Volvo. As they approached the intersection of Pennsylvania Avenue and Pacific Coast Highway, they found the Volvo in the parking lot of the Rolling Hills Plaza, (northwest corner of Pacific Coast Highway and Pennsylvania Avenue).

Deputy Smith and Wells turned into the parking lot and saw the Volvo had collided with two parked cars and was still running, but unoccupied. Deputy Smith and Wells exited their vehicle to investigate, at which time a citizen told them the male, Suspect Dyer, had entered the liquor store just north of the parking lot.

As Deputy Smith and Wells started to walk toward the liquor store, Suspect Dyer exited the liquor and pointed a handgun directly at the deputies. It was at this point, a deputy involved shooting occurred. Deputy Smith and Deputy Wells both fired at Suspect Dyer. Suspect Dyer was struck multiple times by the gunfire and fell onto the concrete walkway which separated the parking lot from the adjacent stores. A black handgun was found on the pavement a short distance from where Suspect Dyer had fallen.

Suspect Dyer was treated at the scene by Los Angeles County Fire Department personnel prior to being transported to Harbor UCLA Medical Center for additional medical treatment.

Sergeant Cooper and Detective Durham were assisted by fellow Homicide Investigators, Sergeant Michael Rodriguez # [REDACTED] and Detective Teri Bernstein # [REDACTED] who were tasked with processing and documenting the location where this incident occurred. They were also assisted by Sergeants Domenick Recchia # [REDACTED] and John O'Brien # [REDACTED] who assisted with witness interviews. For additional information regarding their actions, refer to their supplemental reports related to this incident.

INVESTIGATION

INTERVIEW OF WITNESS [REDACTED]

On September 08, 2016, at approximately 9:26 P.M., Sergeant Howard Cooper and Detective Gail Durham interviewed **Witness** [REDACTED] in the city of Lomita. The entire interview was audio recorded and the following is a summary of their conversation:

Witness [REDACTED] who was [REDACTED] at the location at the time of this incident, explained he was working behind the counter at the cash register when his attention was drawn to the parking lot in front of his store. He noticed a silver Volvo roll westbound into the parking lot. He said the Volvo did not appear to be running properly, and rolled awkwardly into the lot. With the Volvo still in motion, he watched "a girl and a guy" exit the Volvo. After the two got out of the car, it continued to roll west in the parking lot, coming to a stop only after it collided with Witness [REDACTED] parked car.

Witness [REDACTED] watched as the male who ran from the Volvo (Suspect Dyer) ran into his [REDACTED] while the female ran westbound through the parking lot towards Pacific Coast Highway. Witness [REDACTED] knew something was going on in the immediate area, because he heard police sirens and saw two deputies exit their radio car just as he stepped out the front door of his store.

Witness [REDACTED] said he ran past Suspect Dyer as he ran around the front counter, towards the front door. As they passed each other, Witness [REDACTED] yelled to Suspect Dyer, "Hey get out! I'm calling the police." Suspect Dyer responded to him, "Don't do that."

Immediately after exiting his store, Witness [REDACTED] positioned himself against the south wall of his [REDACTED] just east of the front entry door. From this position, he called out to the deputies who were now standing in the parking lot near their patrol car. Witness [REDACTED] stated, "He's in there!" while pointing into his [REDACTED]. Moments after calling out to the deputies, Witness [REDACTED] turned to his right and watched Suspect Dyer exit the [REDACTED] with a pistol in his hand.

Witness [REDACTED] watched Suspect Dyer point his pistol directly at the deputies positioned in the parking lot before firing in their direction. After the initial gunshot was fired, Witness [REDACTED] ran east out of the area to avoid being struck by the gunfire. Once out of the parking lot, Witness [REDACTED] heard approximately six more gunshots, but did not observe who was shooting.

Witness [REDACTED] returned to his [REDACTED] a short time after the shooting stopped. It was at this time, he found a male lying on the concrete walkway just east of his store. Witness [REDACTED] positively identified this person as the same individual who ran into his store then shot at the police.

Witness [REDACTED] described the suspect's weapon as a small, black, semi-automatic handgun.

WITNESS [REDACTED]

On September 8, 2016, at approximately 9:49 P.M., Sergeant Howard Cooper and Detective Gail Durham met with Witness [REDACTED] in a conference room at the Lomita Sheriff's Station. Sergeant David Moore, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Internal Affairs Bureau, was also present during the interview. The entire interview was audio recorded and the following is a summary of their conversation:

After asking Witness [REDACTED] for simple personal information such as his name, date of birth or phone number, it became apparent he was having a difficult time communicating with Investigators. Because Investigators were not able to effectively communicate with Witness [REDACTED] they thanked him for his time and concluded the interview.

INTERVIEW OF WITNESS [REDACTED]

On September 8, 2016, at approximately 10:14 P.M., Sergeant Howard Cooper and Detective Gail Durham interviewed **Witness** [REDACTED] in a conference room at the Lomita Sheriff's Station. Sergeant David Moore, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Internal Affairs Bureau, was also present during the interview. The entire interview was audio recorded and the following is a summary of their conversation.

Witness [REDACTED] explained that at the time of this incident, he was working at a [REDACTED] at the location. While positioned at the cook top, located in the rear of the restaurant, he heard a male deputy ask a female, "Where did he go?" Upon hearing this, Witness [REDACTED] leaned to his left and was able to see a female standing between the entry door of the liquor store and the entry door to his restaurant. Witness [REDACTED] then heard the female tell the officer's, "He went over there," and watched her point toward the liquor store. After this occurred, the female ran into his restaurant. Witness [REDACTED] described the female as Caucasian, heavy set, approximately 5'3", 200 pounds with dark hair worn in a bun hairstyle.

Within moments of the woman entering his restaurant, Witness [REDACTED] heard one of the male deputies state, "Put it down!" approximately four times. After the commands were concluded, Witness [REDACTED] heard gunshots ring out. When this happened, he reached over and grabbed a female employee wrapped his arms around her and pulled her to the floor and held her in this position until the gunfire stopped.

Witness [REDACTED] also stated he watched as Suspect Dyer who was standing on the concrete walkway in front of his restaurant at the time of this incident, buckled over and began bleeding immediately after the shots were fired. A short time after the gunfire stopped, Witness [REDACTED] watched as two sheriff's deputies contacted Suspect Dyer who was initially lying on his side in apparent agony. He watched as the deputies rolled Suspect Dyer onto his back, cut open his clothing and began rendering medical aid to what appeared to be multiple gunshot wounds on his arm, chest and abdomen.

Witness [REDACTED] did not see Suspect Dyer with a weapon at the time this incident took place. However, he believed Suspect Dyer did in fact have a gun because he saw a small black firearm on the concrete walkway in the area where he fell. Witness [REDACTED] made this observation as he was escorted from the area by assisting Sheriff's Department personnel.

INTERVIEW OF WITNESS [REDACTED]

On September 8, 2016, at approximately 10:57 P.M., Sergeant Howard Cooper and Detective Gail Durham met with **Witness** [REDACTED] in a conference room at the Lomita Sheriff's Station. The entire interview was audio recorded and the following is a summary of their conversation:

After introducing themselves to Witness [REDACTED] she said, "I'm sorry for what happened. I'm really sorry." Witness [REDACTED] explained she recently met "Jason" (Suspect Dyer) and had only known him for a few weeks. She did not know where he lived, but said he stays with various friends.

Witness [REDACTED] said she had been having a bad day and phoned Jason for some company. Jason agreed to meet up with her and picked her up from her Long Beach home. Witness [REDACTED] said Jason was driving a silver Volvo which she had seen him driving on previous occasions.

From her house, they went to Suspect Dyer's storage unit which was located somewhere on 156th or 153rd Street. Witness [REDACTED] was unsure what city the storage facility was located in. From the storage facility, they went to a T-shirt store where Suspect Dyer purchased a T-shirt. After leaving the store, they began talking about where they were going to go for food. Witness [REDACTED] explained that this incident began as she was looking up a restaurant on her cellular phone.

Before she began to relay the events related to this incident, Witness [REDACTED] stared off in apparent disbelief and uttered the words, "He shot at people."

Witness [REDACTED] regained her composure somewhat and relayed the following:

As they were driving in a residential neighborhood while trying to find a restaurant, Jason noticed a police car approaching them and started to freak out. He told Witness [REDACTED] "They turned around." Witness [REDACTED] said she tried to turn around in her seat to see what was happening, but Jason screamed, "Don't you fucking turn around!" Witness [REDACTED] got scared because she had never seen Jason act like that before.

As they continued to drive down the street, Jason made a left hand turn into a cul-de-sac. Witness [REDACTED] said she was trying to calm him down by telling him to just pull over. As she was talking to him, Jason suddenly pulled out a gun. Witness [REDACTED] was not sure where Jason had the gun hidden, but believed it had to have been concealed in the waistband of his pants because he did not retrieve it from anywhere within the car.

Immediately after seeing the gun, Witness [REDACTED] asked Jason, "What are you doing?" She took off her seat belt and attempted to get out of the car. After taking her seat belt off, she saw a police car directly in front of them. It was at this point, Jason gunned the motor and drove straight at the patrol car striking it as they drove past.

Witness [REDACTED] begged Jason to let her out of the car. Jason refused to stop or slow his car and never replied in any way. Witness [REDACTED] explained that she

feared she was about to die and began screaming for him to stop. As they pulled into a small parking lot, something happened to the car, it was no longer running properly. With the car still moving, she jumped out and tried to get away from Jason. As Witness [REDACTED] ran one way out of the car, Jason ran the other way.

Witness [REDACTED] did not know where Jason was going and did not remember seeing him enter any business or building, she just remembered looking back as he was running out of the building. When she saw Jason exit the store, she heard gunshots ring out.

She did not see Jason pull the trigger, but was adamant she saw Jason as well as the deputies shoot. Witness [REDACTED] described how she saw Jason drop onto one knee as he exited the store. While in this position, she watched him extended both arms out in front of him like he was going to shoot, while in this position she saw smoke come out of Jason's gun.

After hearing the gunfire, Witness [REDACTED] ran west on Pacific Coast Highway and stopped at a BevMo store. While at BevMo, someone told her the cops were looking for her. She said she flagged down the first deputy she saw and told them she was the person they were looking for. After being contacted by sheriff's deputies, Witness [REDACTED] agreed to speak with Investigators and was transported to the Lomita Sheriff's Station to be interviewed.

Witness [REDACTED] insisted she was unaware Jason was armed at the time she entered his vehicle. She said the first time she became aware he was armed was when he produced the gun while being followed by Sheriff's deputies.

INTERVIEW OF DEPUTY JUSTIN SMITH

On September 9, 2016, Sergeant Howard Cooper and Detective Gail Durham met with **Deputy Justin Smith** in a private room at the Lomita Sheriff's Station. Attorney Sherry Lawrence representing Deputy Smith was also present. The entire interview was audio recorded and the following is a summary of their conversation:

After introducing themselves to Deputy Smith, Investigators asked him to list his history with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department:

- Hire Date [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department April 2010
- [REDACTED]

• Lomita Sheriff's Station

November 2013 to present

At the time of this interview, Deputy Smith was wearing a Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff Class A uniform. It consisted of a short sleeve tan shirt with Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department shoulder patches and additional identifying brass nameplate and Sheriff's Department badge on the chest. His pants were green in color and constructed of wool material. Deputy Smith wore a nylon web belt which contained his sidearm, a Smith & Wesson model M&P full size 9mm handgun. The weapon was also equipped with a tactical light, with finger activated pressure switch. Two extra magazines, pepper spray, handcuffs and portable radio were also contained on his web belt.

Investigators Note;

Deputy Smith indicated this was the exact same uniform he wore at the time of this incident.

Deputy Smith stated on the day of this incident, he was assigned to the Lomita Sheriff's Station, Summer Enforcement team, unit 170W1. During today's shift, Deputy Smith had a partner, Deputy Wells # [REDACTED]. Deputy Smith was the driver and Deputy Wells was the passenger. They were driving a black and white marked patrol vehicle with stickers on the doors indicating Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. The vehicle had a fully functioning overhead light bar complete with white front facing lights and red and blue rotating lights.

Sergeant Cooper asked Deputy Smith to tell us in his own words what occurred on today's date.

Deputy Smith said they were driving north on Pennsylvania Avenue at 250th Street when they observed a silver sedan driving southbound Pennsylvania Avenue with no front license plate. He made a U-turn with the intention of effecting a traffic stop on the vehicle for the indicated violation.

Deputy Smith followed the silver sedan eastbound onto 255th Street from Pennsylvania Avenue. He followed the vehicle northbound onto Kelley Avenue. Deputy Smith described Kelley Avenue as a cul-de-sac/dead end. As the car drove around the cul-de-sac it made a wide turn, it appeared as if the sedan was going to pull into an empty parking space on the side of the road and park.

Deputy Smith let the sedan make the turn, and activated his vehicle mounted overhead rotators. Deputy Smith's intention was to effect a traffic stop facing the sedan so he could keep an eye on everyone in the vehicle. However, while facing northbound on Kelley Avenue, the sedan rapidly accelerated and drove southbound, straight toward

their patrol vehicle. The driver's side of the silver sedan struck the driver's side of their patrol vehicle as it sped out of the cul-de-sac.

As Deputy Smith drove around the cul-de-sac, he instructed Deputy Wells to get on the patch and request assistance. Deputy Wells notified assisting units they were now in vehicle pursuit of a suspect, wanted for Assault on a Peace Officer.

Deputy Smith and Deputy Wells lost sight of the sedan as it turned westbound onto 255th Street. He drove south on Pennsylvania Avenue in an attempt to locate the silver sedan. As they approached the intersection of Pacific Coast Highway, a citizen flagged them down and told them the sedan they were chasing had turned westbound into a parking lot and pointed towards the northwest corner of Pacific Coast Highway and Pennsylvania Avenue. Deputy Smith entered the parking lot and saw the same silver sedan stopped awkwardly in the parking lot with both front doors partially open

As Deputy Smith exited his patrol car, he saw the silver sedan was unoccupied. While standing near their patrol car another citizen informed them the male suspect they were looking for had entered the liquor store and pointed toward the front entry door. Upon hearing this, both Deputy Smith and Wells began approaching the liquor store to the north, while utilizing a parked truck as cover.

Deputy Smith positioned himself behind the tailgate area of a brown truck which was parked in a parking stall, facing north, just south of the indicated liquor store. At the same time, Deputy Wells had taken a position along the passenger's side of the same truck. From his position behind the truck, Deputy Smith was able to see the front of the liquor store, while maintaining sight of Deputy Wells's position.

Moments after taking a position behind the truck, Deputy Smith saw Suspect Dyer exit the liquor store. Because of the truck's position, he was initially unable to see if Suspect Dyer had anything in his hands. However, he immediately recognized the clothing worn by Suspect Dyer as being the same clothing worn by the driver of the silver sedan.

As Suspect Dyer stepped out the front door of the liquor store, onto the concrete walkway, Deputy Smith moved to his left (towards the driver's side of the indicated truck) in order to get a better view of Suspect Dyer. From this position, Deputy Smith saw that Suspect Dyer had his left arm raised. At this same time, he saw a flash of light which was immediately followed by the sound of multiple gunshots.

At the same time Deputy Smith heard the report of gunfire, he saw Deputy Wells fall to the ground. At the time this occurred, Deputy Smith was certain his partner, Deputy Wells, had been shot by Suspect Dyer. Deputy Smith repositioned himself towards the front of the truck bed and fired a single round at Suspect Dyer. Deputy Smith was unsure if he struck Suspect Dyer, but watched as he fell onto the concrete walkway just south of the liquor store.

From his position on the driver's side of the indicated truck, Deputy Smith was unable to see Deputy Wells after seeing him fall to the ground. After the gunfire stopped, he watched as Deputy Wells stood up as he continued to hold Suspect Dyer at gunpoint. It was at this point, Deputy Wells utilized his hand held radio and notified area units they had just been involved in a shooting. He not only requested assisting units, but also requested medical aid for the suspect who was down, bleeding from what appeared to be multiple gunshot wounds. It was at this point Deputy Smith realized that Deputy Wells had not been shot by Suspect Dyer.

As Deputy Wells requested assistance on his hand held radio, Deputy Smith gave Suspect Dyer several commands to show his hands. At the time, Suspect Dyer had a cast on his right hand and had his left hand tucked under his body. Suspect Dyer was lying in a fetal position as he withered in pain. While holding him at gunpoint, Deputy Smith watched as Suspect Dyer took a black semi-automatic handgun from under his body and tossed it a short distance from him with his left hand. Shortly after this happened, a citizen kicked the gun away from Suspect Dyer.

Deputy Smith said he, Deputy Wells as well as other assisting deputies rendered medical aid to Suspect Dyer pending the arrival of Los Angeles County Fire Department personnel. Suspect Dyer was ultimately transported to an area hospital (Los Angeles County Harbor General Hospital) where he was treated for multiple gunshot wounds.

Deputy Smith estimated Suspect Dyer was approximately 12-15 feet away from him at the time he fired his weapon. Deputy Smith estimated that Deputy Wells was approximately 10-12 feet from Suspect Dyer when this took place. Deputy Smith was unsure how many rounds were fired during this entire incident. He said he fired one round at Suspect Dyer and added the entire incident occurred very quickly.

Deputy Smith was unsure if his partner, Deputy Wells, fired any rounds during this incident. Deputy Smith was certain Suspect Dyer fired one round them at the onset of this incident.

Deputy Smith said there had been a female in the silver sedan when he first observed the vehicle on Pennsylvania Avenue. However, when they discovered the car in the parking lot, the female was gone.

Prior to concluding the interview with Deputy Smith, Investigators asked him how his weapon was loaded at the start of his shift. Deputy Smith stated his weapon (Smith & Wesson M&P full size 9mm) was loaded to capacity, (one live round in the chamber and 17 live rounds in the magazine).

Investigators inspected Deputy Smith's weapon (Serial# HRH [REDACTED]) and found it loaded with a live round in the chamber and 15 additional rounds in the magazine, each round bore the head stamp, "9mm Luger WIN."

Investigators Note;

Based on the round count of Deputy Smith's weapon, it's apparent he fired two rounds during this incident. At the conclusion of this interview, Deputy John Chun # [REDACTED] Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Crime Lab, Latent Print Section, took photos of Deputy Smith in uniform and collected his firearm (Evidence Item # 18)

INTERVIEW OF DEPUTY TAYLOR WELLS

On September 9, 2016, Sergeant Howard Cooper and Detective Gail Durham met with **Deputy Taylor Wells** in a private room at the Lomita Sheriff's Station. Attorney Sherry Lawrence representing Deputy Wells was also present. The entire interview was audio recorded and the following is a summary of their conversation:

After introducing themselves to Deputy Wells, Investigators asked him to list his history with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department:

- Hire Date January 2012
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- Lomita Sheriff's Station July 2015 to present

At the time of this interview, Deputy Wells was wearing a Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff Class A uniform. It consisted of a short sleeve tan shirt with Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department shoulder patches and additional identifying brass nameplate and Sheriff's Department badge on the chest. His pants were green in color and constructed of wool material. Deputy Smith wore a leather Sam Brown belt which contained his sidearm, a Sig Sauer Model P226, full size 9mm handgun. The weapon was also equipped with a tactical light, with finger activated pressure switch. Two extra magazines, pepper spray, handcuffs and a portable radio were also contained on his web belt.

Investigators Note;

Deputy Wells indicated this was the exact same uniform he wore at the time of this incident.

Deputy Wells stated on the day of this incident, he was assigned to the Lomita Sheriff's Station, Summer Enforcement team, unit 170W1. During today's shift, Deputy Wells had a partner, Deputy Smith # [REDACTED]. Deputy Smith was the driver and Deputy Wells was the passenger. They were driving a black and white marked patrol vehicle with stickers on the doors indicating Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. The vehicle had a fully functioning overhead light bar complete with white take down lights and red and blue rotating lights.

Sergeant Cooper asked Deputy Wells to tell us in his own words what occurred on today's date.

Deputy Wells said he and his partner were traveling north on Pennsylvania Avenue approaching 252nd Street when they observed a silver Volvo traveling southbound Pennsylvania Avenue with no front license plate. They made a U-turn to effect a traffic stop for the indicated violation.

Deputy Wells saw the Volvo make a left onto eastbound 255th Street and another left onto northbound Kelley Avenue. Deputy Wells explained Kelley Avenue was a cul-de-sac. They followed the Volvo onto Kelley Avenue and realized there was nowhere for the suspect vehicle to go.

As the Volvo drove around the cul-de-sac, Deputy Wells watched as the suspect vehicle began traveling at a high rate of speed (estimated between 20-25 mph) around the cul-de-sac. The silver Volvo never slowed down and continued to accelerate as they drove toward their patrol car. The Volvo struck the patrol car as it attempted to get past them. At this point Deputy Smith began pursuing the suspect vehicle while Deputy Wells broadcast radio traffic that they were now in vehicle pursuit of a suspect, wanted for Assault on a Peace Officer.

Deputy Wells saw the Volvo turn westbound onto 255th Street from Kelley Avenue. As they approached Pennsylvania Avenue from 255th Street, Deputy Wells looked to the south and saw the tail lights of the Volvo on Pennsylvania Avenue. As they approached the intersection of Pennsylvania Avenue and Pacific Coast Highway, they were flagged down by a citizen who told them the vehicle they were looking for had crashed in the parking lot. Deputy Wells looked into the shopping center (northwest corner) and observed the same silver Volvo had apparently crashed into some parked vehicles in the lot. They entered the parking lot and found the Volvo unoccupied.

As Deputy Wells exited his patrol car, people in the parking lot began directing him towards the liquor store directly in front of the crashed Volvo. Someone said, "He went in there" and pointed toward the liquor store. At this point, Deputy Wells started walking toward the liquor store. He observed the same male (hereafter referred to as Suspect Dyer) who had been driving the silver Volvo moments earlier, exit the store.

Deputy Wells who had positioned himself against the passenger's side of a truck parked in the lot, just south of the liquor store watched as Suspect Dyer took one step onto the concrete walkway outside the store. While in this position, Suspect Dyer raised his right arm to shoulder height. It was at this point, he saw that Suspect Dyer was holding a handgun in his right hand. Suspect Dyer immediately raised his left arm and while holding his weapon in a two handed shooting stance, fired a single shot directly at him.

Deputy Wells immediately dove to his left in an attempt to seek cover behind the truck he had initially been standing next to. Deputy Wells immediately got into a crouched firing position behind the bed of the truck, drew his sidearm in order to engage Suspect Dyer who was still standing on the concrete walkway just north of his position with his weapon pointed in his direction.

Fearing that Suspect Dyer was going to continue to fire in his direction as well as at his partner, Deputy Smith, who had positioned himself somewhere on the driver's side of the truck he was concealed behind, Deputy Wells began firing at Suspect Dyer. Deputy Wells believed his rounds struck Suspect Dyer because he immediately fell to the concrete walkway and began crying out in agony.

Deputy Wells saw that Suspect Dyer continued to grasp his weapon after falling onto the walkway. Deputy Wells gave Suspect Dyer numerous commands to show his hands. However, Suspect Dyer never complied, and continued to grasp his weapon with his hands held above his head.

Deputy Wells watched as an unknown male citizen exited one of the adjacent businesses, walked toward Suspect Dyer and kicked the gun out of his grasp. The weapon was dislodged from Suspect Dyer's hand and ended up a few feet away from him on the concrete walkway.

Deputy Wells utilized his handheld radio to advise area units they had just been involved in a shooting as well as request medical aid for Suspect Dyer. Deputy Wells then retrieved his trauma kit from his patrol vehicle, to render first aid to Suspect Dyer. Deputy Wells was relieved by Deputy Capra who continued to render medical aid to Suspect Dyer pending the arrival of Fire Department personnel.

Deputy Wells was not certain how many rounds he fired during this incident, but estimated he fired between five to six rounds. He said the entire shooting incident lasted mere seconds. He estimated he was no further than ten feet from Suspect Dyer at the time of the shooting.

Deputy Wells said there had been a woman in the passenger seat of the Volvo when they originally attempted to stop it. Deputy Wells did not see the female anywhere around the Volvo at the time the shooting occurred.

Prior to concluding the interview with Deputy Wells, Investigators asked him how his weapon was loaded at the start of his shift. Deputy Wells stated his weapon (Sig Sauer Model 226 Tac Ops edition, full size 9mm) was loaded to capacity, (one live round in the chamber and 15 additional live rounds in the magazine).

Investigators inspected Deputy Wells' weapon (Serial# [REDACTED]) and found it loaded with one live round in the chamber and 8 additional live rounds in the magazine. Each round bore the head stamp, "9mm Luger WIN."

Investigators Note;

Based on the round count of Deputy Wells' weapon, it's apparent he fired seven rounds during this incident. At the conclusion of this interview, Deputy John Chun # [REDACTED] Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Crime Lab, Latent Print Section, took photos of Deputy Wells in uniform and collected his firearm (Evidence Item # 17)

INTERVIEW OF SUSPECT JASON DYER

On September 9, 2016, Sergeant Howard Cooper and Detective Gail Durham contacted Suspect Dyer while hospitalized at Harbor UCLA Medical Center (Patient Identification # [REDACTED]). Their initial contact with Suspect Dyer was during the early morning hours. Investigators attempted to speak with Suspect Dyer, however he was heavily sedated and was unable to speak with Investigators.

While at the hospital, Investigators retrieved a Gun Shot Residue kit (**Evidence Item #19**) from Deputy G. Van Housen # [REDACTED] South Los Angeles Sheriff's Station. Deputy Van Housen was tasked with performing a GSR examination of Suspect Dyer. Sergeant Cooper took possession of the sealed GSR kit and transported it to the crime scene, where it was turned over to Senior Criminalist Jessica Luna # [REDACTED] Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Crime Lab, Biology Section.

This investigation remains active, additional reports anticipated.

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